

Statesman

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Statesman Caprice

Statesman Caprice has long stood in the forefront of Australian luxury cars. The reason is revealed in the philosophy that shaped this prestigious car: the commitment to build a vehicle which would equal or excel not only the luxury cars of Australia, but of the world.

The success of this philosophy is readily apparent in our latest Statesman Caprice. A luxury car that proudly offers the size, the outstanding comfort and overall refinement that many imported vehicles fail to equal. Today's Caprice stands apart as the most prestigious Statesman we have ever produced.

In our plants, Statesman Caprice has always commanded its own special production line; where time is totally subservient to quality. Our latest Caprice is the product of even more highly developed quality controls. New technology and new techniques elevate Caprice to a level achieved by few other luxury cars.

Accompanying these refinements are several features that have been incorporated in Statesman Caprice for the very first time. The Caprice of today now presents the convenience of Highway Cruise Control for more relaxed long distance driving. Statesman's improved 5 litre engine has been engineered for even more responsive performance and power, combined, at the same time, with a new standard of smoothness. Our famous Radial Tuned Suspension has been further improved to offer exceptional standards of ride comfort, fine handling and safety. We have also increased the fuel tank capacity to extend your driving range.

On the following pages the prestige and luxury of Statesman Caprice is more fully revealed. The qualities you will discover are those which position Caprice quite unmistakably 'top of the line'.



The Caprice instrument panel: supremely functional, and finished in superb gloss burl walnut grain.



Look around. Statesman Caprice displays prestige, luxury and, above all else, quality in every detail.

Sink into the supremely comfortable deep foam seats, faced in your choice of deep pile plush velour or rich leather. They're designed to carry driver and passengers in superb comfort over the longest distances.



Highway Cruise Control.

The carefully planned instrument and control panel finished in gloss burl walnut grain is as pleasing to the eye as it is functional. Of particular interest will be the button which controls a new Caprice standard: Highway Cruise Control. On the open road Cruise Control may be engaged to maintain a constant highway speed. It means more relaxed, fatigue-free driving. You may accelerate past another vehicle with Cruise Control engaged; upon

completion of the manoeuvre Caprice will once again assume the predetermined speed. Cruise Control is automatically cancelled when Caprice's powerful four wheel disc brakes are applied, or when the control button is switched off.

The handsome Caprice dash also displays an electric digital clock, convenient map light, a bank of safety warning lights, plus a remote luggage compartment release switch in the glove compartment which raises an important Caprice feature: a luggage compartment that is not only noteworthy for its generous dimensions, but also for the ease with which the most awkward items may be stowed and removed.

The smooth operation of the power-assisted side windows also illustrates an uncompromising attention to detail. And when you touch the control button of the Caprice sound system you bring to life a remarkable achievement in automotive sound fidelity. The outstanding quality of reproduction from Caprice's AM/FM Stereo Radio and Dolby® Stereo Cassette player, channelled through a system of no less than four speakers, cannot fail to impress.

In addition to the equipment already described, Statesman Caprice naturally includes the following:

Power operated door locking system. Bi-level integrated air conditioning with four upper and two lap outlets in the front and two in the rear.



The Caprice stereo audio system.

Electronic tachometer. Improved 5.0 litre engine. Turbo hydramatic transmission. Variable ratio power steering. Cigarette lighters and ashtrays integrated into the arm rest on each rear door. Height adjustable driver's seat. Integral head restraints on rear seats. Remote control exterior mirrors. Automatic power antenna. Hand-trimmed padded console. Intermittent wiper control. Improved Radial Tuned Suspension with steel-belted radial tyres. Rear seat passenger reading lamps. Tinted side and rear windows. Laminated windscreen with tinted upper band.



The magnificent rear passenger environment. More headroom, more luxury than ever before.

* Dolby is registered Trade Mark of Dolby Laboratories.

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Inside Statesman Caprice: a refined, spacious realm of comfort. Specially redesigned seats offer correct posture support, and are faced in your choice of soft deep pile plush velour or supple genuine leather.



Statesman de Ville

The luxury car buyer who seeks an uncompromising expression of style and strength, with an abundance of room and comfort, will find it in Statesman de Ville.

Statesman de Ville has always recognised the very individual needs of the luxury car buyer. And this, the latest de Ville, presents several new rewards for the person who has achieved the status of luxury motoring.

Today's de Ville is equipped with an improved 5 litre engine, specifically designed for effortless towing and relaxed long distance touring. The improved efficiency of this engine, combined with Statesman's increased capacity fuel tank, now offers an extended driving range, with greater distances between fuel stops.

On the road, Statesman de Ville displays impeccable driving characteristics, the result of even further refinements to de Ville's well proven Radial Tuned Suspension.

Inside, luxury abounds. Full foam front bucket seats faced in soft cord cloth and redesigned for added posture support. Bi-level, fully integrated air conditioning, with the luxury of eight air outlets - six in the front and two for the personal comfort of rear seat passengers.

In the rear passenger compartment you will even find a cigarette lighter integrated into the armrest on each rear door. Statesman de Ville overlooks no detail.

And, if appearance counts, Statesman de Ville's immaculate styling must command attention. From the perfectly proportioned grille, across the sleek side windows and low roofline, to the distinctively handsome rear deck, Statesman de Ville is understandably one of the most desirable luxury cars available today.



The de Ville control panel - an aesthetic expression of intelligent design.



Statesman de Ville knows how to evoke a feeling of total satisfaction in ownership. Because Statesman engineers understand that luxury cars are judged not simply by the inclusion of the obvious, but rather by the depth of thinking in the design and execution of those things we take for granted. The de Ville luggage compartment testifies to this. It is roomy, as you'd expect. It is also very intelligently designed, as you will find out the very first time you load it up. The ease of access for loading or unloading is quite remarkable.

Intelligent design is evident throughout this superb vehicle. The interior lighting is designed for the ultimate convenience of all occupants. A dimmer on the light switch controls the intensity of instrument and central control panel lighting; and rear seat passengers enjoy the convenience of a personalised reading lamp on each side.

Other de Ville luxury standards include:

Turbo hydramatic transmission.
Height adjustable driver's seat.

AM/FM Stereo Radio and Cassette Player with front and rear speakers and power antenna.
Four wheel power disc brakes.
Variable ratio power steering.
Remote control exterior mirrors.
Laminated windscreen with tinted upper band.
Tinted side and rear windows.



The wide, spacious and exceptionally convenient luggage compartment.



The de Ville console finished in soft skin trim, with integrated cassette storage compartment.

Soft skin trimmed console with integrated cassette storage compartment.
Electric quartz clock.
Intermittent wiper control.
Multi-beam rectangular headlamps incorporating quartz halogen driving lamp and pencil high beam.
Front and rear outboard retracting seat belts.
Comprehensive instrumentation, including oil pressure warning lamp, radiator coolant warning lamp, voltmeter, oil pressure gauge.

In addition to the above, de Ville offers a select list of options for your consideration. Among these is Highway Cruise Control for more relaxed long distance driving.

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The de Ville interior: deep foam seats faced in soft cord cloth, the luxury of cut pile carpet underfoot. Statesman's painstaking attention to every detail is evident wherever you look.





Statesman Caprice

ENGINE

Capacity: 5044cm³ V8.
Output: 126kW (DIN) @ 4400 rpm.
361 Nm (DIN) @ 2800 rpm.
Bore and Stroke: 101.6mm x 77.8mm.
Comp. ratio: 9.2:1.
RAC rating: 51.2.

OHV design with crossflow cylinder head.
Rochester Quadrajete carburettor.
Full pressure lubrication.

TRANSMISSION

Turbo-Hydramatic 3-speed automatic.
T-bar floor shift in central console.

REAR AXLE RATIO

Standard 2.60:1

WHEELS

7.00 JJ x 15 cast alloy road wheels.

TYRES

ER60H15, steel-belted radial ply.

BRAKES

Power assisted 4 wheel disc.

SUSPENSION

Radial Tuned Suspension.
Front: Independent with short and long arms, coil springs, decoupled stabiliser bar.
Rear: 4-link system with coil springs, decoupled stabiliser bar.

ELECTRICAL

12 volt, 62 amp. battery.
55amp. alternator.

VINYL ROOF

Eight optional colors co-ordinated to certain body color and interior trim combinations are available at extra charge.

FUEL SYSTEM

Fuel Tank Capacity: 91 litres.

STEERING

Forward mounted steering system. Power assistance is integral with the variable ratio steering box. Power steering is specially tuned for RTS, to give you effortless control.

INSTRUMENTATION

Kilometre speedometer/odometer/trip meter.
Gauges - fuel, oil pressure, temperature, voltmeter.
Digital clock. Warning lights - brake failure, parking brake, generator, headlamp or tail lamp failure, door ajar, low fuel, seat belt.

HIGHWAY CRUISE CONTROL

This feature allows you to cruise at a comfortable highway speed without maintaining pressure on the accelerator pedal.

When driving on the highway, engage the Cruise Control button when you have achieved the desired cruising speed.

You may accelerate beyond the set speed in order to pass a slower moving vehicle; upon completion of the manoeuvre Statesman will return to the set cruising speed.

The Cruise Control function will remain active until either the button is switched off or the brakes are applied.

AIR CONDITIONING

Fully integrated bi-level air conditioning is standard. Includes high ambient condition, thermostatically controlled, electric fan for the engine cooling system.

OPTIONAL APPOINTMENTS

Leather upholstery (no extra charge).
Superlift rear shock absorbers.

Limited slip differential.

Outback equipment package.

Heavy duty radiator.

Specifications

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T-bar floor shift in central console.

REAR AXLE RATIO

Standard 2.60:1

WHEELS

6.00 JJ x 14 steel road wheels with full wheel covers.

TYRES

FR78S14, steel-belted radial ply.

BRAKES

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SUSPENSION

Radial Tuned Suspension.
Front: Independent with short and long arms, coil springs, decoupled stabiliser bar.
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ELECTRICAL

12 volt, 62 amp. battery. 55amp. alternator.

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6.00 JJ x 14 cast alloy wheels. Rear seat radio speaker. Central electric door locking system.

Power windows.

Vinyl upholstery. Superlift rear shock absorbers.

Limited slip differential.

Outback equipment package.

Heavy duty radiator.

DIMENSIONS: CAPRICE & DE VILLE

Overall length: 5157mm.

Wheelbase: 2895mm.

Track: Front - Caprice 1531mm. de Ville 1523mm.

Track: Rear - Caprice 1540mm. de Ville 1536mm.

Overall width: 1899mm.

Overall height: Caprice 1390mm. de Ville 1391mm.

Ground clearance: Caprice 127mm. de Ville 128mm.

Estimated kerb weights:

Caprice - 1719kg.

de Ville - 1681kg.

STATESMAN SAFETY FEATURES

Split circuit braking... if one hydraulic circuit should lose its pressure, the other remains fully operational, while the brake warning light glows on the dash. GMH energy absorbing steering column is designed to compress under impact. Padded dashboard. Thin section front windshield pillars for safer forward vision. 2-speed wipers with articulated wiper arm on driver's side, 4-jet electric windshield washers. Front seat head restraints. Seat belts for all occupants.

Flow-through ventilation and fully integrated air conditioning. Shatter-resistant knock-out interior mirror. Glare reduced interiors. Reversing lights. Power assisted brake system. Fusible link wiring system virtually eliminates risk of electrical fires. Isolated underslung all steel fuel tank and external fuel lines. Safety rims on all wheels.

GMH WARRANTY

The GMH Warranty protects your Statesman for the first 12 months or 20,000 kilometres, whichever is first completed. Recommended routine service intervals are every 10,000 km or 6 months.

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